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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Robert M. LORENCE ET

Serial No.: 08/260,536

Filed: June 16, 1994

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Group Art Unit: 1813

Examiner: L. Scheiner

For:

METHODS FOR TREATING AND DETECTING CANCER USING

VIRUSES

REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL OF FINALITY UNDER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

SIR:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a), applicants hereby request withdrawal of the finality of the Office Action issued October 18, 1995. The above-identified application is in compliance with the requirements set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a), including, e.g., the fee under § 1.17(r) filed herewith, prior to the filing of an Appeal Brief and prior to the abandonment of the above-identified application. Therefore, applicants are entitled to have a first submission entered and considered on the merits after final rejection.

Respectfully submitted,

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REQUEST FOR ENTRY OF 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 AMENDMENT FILED MARCH 18, 1996

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Applicants request entry of the amendment filed March 18, 1995, previously denied entry by the Examiner, as indicated in the Advisory Action dated April 11, 1996, Paper No. 18.

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FIRST SUBMISSION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.129

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SIR:

Reconsideration of the rejections under § 112, first paragraph, and § 102(b) as set forth in the Final Rejection dated October 18, 1995, is respectfully sought. It would not be proper to make a first Office action final in this application since it contains material which was presented in earlier after final rejection but was denied entry because, allegedly, new issues were raised that required further consideration and/or search, including the issue of new matter. M.P.E.P. §§ 706.07(b) and 706.07(g). See Advisory action dated April 11, 1996.

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